TITLE 114

LEGISLATIVE RULES

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

SERIES 4

INSIDER TRADING OF EQUITY SECURITIES OF A

DOMESTIC STOCK INSURANCE COMPANY

- § 114-4-1. General.
- 1.1. Scope. -- The purpose of this regulation is to require the disclosure of the ownership of Equity Securities of Domestic Stock Insurance Companies and to prevent any unfair practices by officers or directors where they are also beneficial owners of Equity Securities of a Domestic Insurance Company. The general form of this regulation was proposed by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. This regulation establishes the general procedure to be followed by domestic stock insurers in regard to their activities respecting insider trading.
- 1.2. Authority. -- W. Va. Code §33-5-30 and §33-2-10
- 1.3. Filing Date. -- March 5, 1968
- 1.4. Effective Date. -- April 16, 1968
- §114-4-2. General Application.
- 2.1. Definition of certain terms.
- (a) "Insurer" means any Domestic Stock Insurance Company with an equity security subject to the provisions of section thirty, article five, chapter thirty-three of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended, and not exempt thereunder.
- (b) "Act" means section thirty, article five, chapter thirty-three of the West Virginia Code.
- (c) "Officer" means a president, vice president, treasurer, actuary, secretary, controller and any other person who performs for the insurer functions corresponding to those performed by the foregoing officers.
- (d) "Equity Security" means any stock or similar security; or any voting trust certificate or certificate of deposit for such a security; or any security convertible, with or without

consideration, into such a security, or carrying any warrant or right to subscribe to or purchase such a security; or any such warrant or right.

- (e) Securities "Held of Record."
- (1) For the purpose of determining whether the equity securities of an insurer are held of record by one hundred (100) or more persons, securities shall be deemed to be "Held of Record" by each person who is identified as the owner of such securities on records of security holders maintained by or on behalf of the insurer, subject to the following:
- (A) In any case where the records of security holders have not been maintained in accordance with accepted practice, any additional person who would be identified as such an owner on such records if they had been maintained in accordance with accepted practice shall be included as a holder of record.
- (B) Securities identified as held of record by a corporation, a partnership, a trust whether or not the trustees are named or other organization shall be included as so held by one (1) person.
- (C) Securities identified as held of record by one or more persons as trustees, executors, guardians, custodians or in other fiduciary capacities with respect to a single trust, estate or account shall be included as held of record by one (1) person.
- (D) Securities held by two (2) or more persons as co-owners shall be included as held by one (1) person.
- (E) Each outstanding unregistered or bearer certificate shall be included as held of record by a separate person, except to the extent that the insurer can establish that, if such securities were registered, they would be held of record, under the provisions of this rule, by a lesser number of persons.
- (F) Securities registered in substantially similar names where the insurer has reason to believe because of the address or other indications that such names represent the same person, may be included as held of record by one (1) person.
- (2) Notwithstanding Subsection (1) of this paragraph:
- (A) Securities held, to the knowledge of the insurer, subject to a voting trust, deposit agreement or similar arrangement shall be included as held of record by the record holders of the voting trust certificates, certificates of deposit, receipts or similar evidences of interest in such securities: Provided, however, That the insurer may rely in good faith on such information as is received in response to its request from a nonaffiliated insurer of the certificates or evidences of interest.

- (B) If the insurer knows or has reason to know that the form of holding securities of record is used primarily to circumvent the provisions of the Act, the beneficial owners of such securities shall be deemed to be the record owners thereof.
- (f) "Class" means all securities of an insurer which are of substantially similar character and the holders of which enjoy substantially similar rights and privileges.
- 2.2. Transactions exempted from the operation of subsection (b) of the Act. -- Any acquisition or disposition of any equity security by a director or officer of an insurer within six (6) months prior to the date on which the Act shall first become applicable with respect to the equity securities of such insurer shall not be subject to the operation of subsection (b) of the Act.
- §114-4-3. Regulations Under Subsection (a) Of West Virginia Code Section Thirty, Article Five, Chapter Thirty-three.
- 3.1. Filing of statements. -- Initial statements of beneficial ownership of equity securities required by subsection (a) of the Act shall be filed on Form 3, attached hereto. Statements of changes in such beneficial ownership required by subsection (a) of the Act shall be filed on Form 4, attached hereto. All such statements shall be prepared and filed in accordance with the requirements of the applicable form.
- 3.2. Ownership of more than ten percent (10%) of an equity security. -- In determining, for the purpose of subsection (a) of the Act whether a person is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than ten percent (10%) of any class of any equity security, such class shall be deemed to consist of the total amount of such class outstanding, exclusive of any securities of such class held by or for the account of the insurer or a subsidiary of the insurer; except that for the purpose of determining percentage ownership of voting trust certificates or certificates of deposit for equity securities, the class of voting trust certificates or certificates of deposit shall be deemed to consist of the amount of voting trust certificates or certificates of deposit issuable with respect to the total amount of outstanding equity securities of the class which may be deposited under the voting trust agreement or deposit agreement in question, whether or not all of such outstanding securities have been so deposited. For the purpose of this section a person acting in good faith may rely on the information contained in the latest Convention Form Statement filed with the Commissioner with respect to the amount of securities of a class outstanding or in the case of voting trust certificates or certificates of deposit the amount thereof issuable.
- 3.3. Disclaimer of beneficial ownership. -- Any person filing a statement may expressly declare therein that the filing of such statement shall not be construed as an admission that such person is, for the purpose of the West Virginia Code section thirty, article five, chapter thirty-three, the beneficial owner of any equity securities covered by the statement.

- 3.4. Exemptions from subsections (a) and (b) of West Virginia Code section thirty, article five, chapter thirty-three.
- (a) During the period of twelve (12) months following their appointment and qualification, securities held by the following persons shall be exempt from subsections (a) and (b) of the Act:
- (1) Executors or administrators of the estate of a decedent;
- (2) Guardians or committees for an incompetent; and
- (3) Receivers, trustees in bankruptcy, assignees for the benefit of creditors, conservators, liquidating agents and other similar persons duly authorized by law to administer the estate or assets of other persons.
- (b) After the twelve (12) month period following their appointment or qualification the foregoing persons shall be required to file reports with respect to the securities held by the estates which they administer under subsection (a) of the Act and shall be liable for profits realized from trading in such securities pursuant to subsection (b) of the Act only when the estate being administered is a beneficial owner of more than ten percent (10%) of any class of equity security of an insurer subject to the Act.
- (c) Securities reacquired by or for the account of an insurer and held by it for its account shall be exempt from subsections (a) and (b) of the Act during the time they are held by the insurer.
- 3.5. Exemption from the Act of securities purchased or sold by odd-lot dealers. -Securities purchased or sold by an odd-lot dealer (1) in odd lots so far as reasonably
 necessary to carry on odd-lot transactions or (2) in round lots to offset odd-lot
 transactions previously or simultaneously executed or reasonably anticipated in the usual
 course of business, shall be exempt from the provisions of the Act with respect to
 participation by such odd-lot dealer in such transactions.
- 3.6. Certain transactions subject to subsection (a) of the Act. -- The acquisition or disposition of any transferable option, put, called, spread or straddle shall be deemed such a change in the beneficial ownership of the security to which such privilege relates as to require the filing of a statement reflecting the acquisition or disposition of such privilege. Nothing in this section, however, shall exempt any person from filing the statements required upon the exercise of such option, put, call, spread or straddle.
- 3.7. Ownership of securities held in trust.
- (a) Beneficial ownership of a security for the purpose of subsection (a) of the Act shall include:

- (1) The ownership of securities as a trustee where either the trustee or members of his immediate family have a vested interest in the income or corpus of the trust;
- (2) The ownership of a vested beneficial interest in a trust; and
- (3) The ownership of securities as a settlor of a trust in which the settlor has the power to revoke the trust without obtaining the consent of all the beneficiaries.
- (b) Except as provided in Paragraph (c) hereof, beneficial ownership of securities solely as a settlor or beneficiary of a trust shall be exempt from the provisions of Subsection (a) where less than twenty percent (20%) in market value of the securities having a readily ascertainable market value held by such trust, determined as of the end of the preceding fiscal year of the trust, consists of equity securities with respect to which reports would otherwise be required. Exemption is likewise accorded from Subsection (a) with respect to any obligation which would otherwise be imposed solely by reason of ownership as settlor or beneficiary of securities held in trust, where the ownership, acquisition or disposition of such securities by the trust is made without prior approval by the settlor or beneficiary. No exemption pursuant to this subsection of this regulation shall, however, be acquired or lost solely as a result of changes in the value of the trust assets during any fiscal year or during any time when there is no transaction by the trust in the securities otherwise subject to the reporting requirements of subsection (a) of the Act.
- (c) In the event that ten percent (10%) of any class of any equity security of an insurer is held in a trust, that trust and the trustees thereof as such shall be deemed a person required to file the reports specified in subsection (a) of the Act.
- (d) Not more than one (1) report need be filed to report any holdings or with respect to any transaction in securities held by a trust, regardless of the number of officers, directors, or ten percent (10%) stockholders who are either trustees, settlors, or beneficiaries of a trust: Provided, That the report filed shall disclose the names of all trustees, settlors and beneficiaries who are officers, directors or ten percent (10%) stockholders. A person having an interest only as a beneficiary of a trust shall not be required to file any such report so long as he relies in good faith upon an understanding that the trustee of such trust will file whatever reports might otherwise be required of such beneficiary.
- (e) As used in Section 3.7 of these rules, the "Immediate Family" of a trustee means:
- (1) A son or daughter of the trustee, or descendant of either,
- (2) A stepson or stepdaughter of the trustee,
- (3) The father or mother of the trustee, or an ancestor of either,
- (4) A stepfather or stepmother of the trustee,

(5) A spouse of the trustee.

For the purpose of determining whether any of the foregoing relations exists, a legally adopted child of a person shall be considered a child of such person by blood.

- (f) In determining, for the purposes of subsection (a) of the Act, whether a person is the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than ten percent (10%) of any class of any equity security, the interest of such person in the remainder of a trust shall be excluded from the computation.
- (g) No report shall be required by any person, whether or not otherwise subject to the requirement of filing reports under subsection (a) of the Act, with respect to his indirect interest in portfolio securities held by:
- (1) A pension or retirement plan holding securities of an insurer whose employees generally are the beneficiaries of the plan;
- (2) A business trust with over twenty-five (25) beneficiaries.
- (h) Nothing in Section 3.7 of these rules shall be deemed to impose any duties or liabilities with respect to reporting any transaction or holding prior to its effective date.
- 3.8. Exemption for small transactions.
- (a) Any acquisition of securities shall be exempt from subsection (a) of the Act where:
- (1) The person effecting the acquisition does not within six (6) months thereafter effect any disposition, otherwise than by way of gift, of securities of the same class; and
- (2) The person effecting such acquisition does not participate in acquisitions or in dispositions of securities of the same class having a total market value in excess of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for any six (6) months' period during which the acquisition occurs.
- (b) Any acquisition or disposition of securities by way of gift, where the total amount of such gifts does not exceed three thousand dollars (\$3,000) in market value for any six (6) months' period, shall be exempt from subsection (a) of the Act and may be excluded from the computations prescribed in Paragraph (a) Subdivision (2) of Section 3.8 of this regulation.
- (c) Any person exempted by Paragraph (a) or (b) of this section shall include in the first report filed by him after a transaction within the exemption a statement showing his acquisitions and dispositions for each six (6) months' period or portion thereof which has elapsed since his last filing.

- 3.9. Exemption from subsection (b) of the Act of transactions which need not be reported under subsection (a) of the Act. -- Any transaction which has been or shall be exempted from the requirements of subsection (a) of the Act shall, insofar as it is otherwise subject to the provisions of subsection (b) of the Act be likewise exempted from subsection (b) of the Act.
- §114-4-4. Regulations Under Subsection (b) Of West Virginia Code Section Thirty, Article Five, Chapter Thirty-three.
- 4.1. Exemption from subsection (b) of the Act of certain transactions effected in connection with a distribution.
- (a) Any transaction of purchase and sale, or sale and purchase, of a security which is effected in connection with the distribution of a substantial block of securities shall be exempt from the provisions of subsection (b) of the Act, to the extent specified in this section as not comprehended within the purpose of said subsection of the Act, upon the following conditions:
- (1) The person effecting the transaction is engaged in the business of distributing securities and is participating in good faith, in the ordinary course of such business, in the distribution of such block of securities;
- (2) The security involved in the transaction is (A) a part of such block of securities and is acquired by the person effecting the transaction, with a view to the distribution thereof, from the insurer or other person on whose behalf such securities are being distributed or from a person who is participating in good faith in the distribution of such block of securities or (B) a security purchased in good faith by or for the account of the person effecting the transaction for the purpose of stabilizing the market price of securities of the class being distributed or to cover an over-allotment or other short position created in connection with such distribution; and
- (3) Other persons not within the purview of subsection (b) of the Act are participating in the distribution of such block of securities on terms at least as favorable as those on which such person is participating and to an extent at least equal to the aggregate participation of all persons exempted from the provisions of subsection (b) of the Act by this section. However, the performance of the functions of manager of a distributing group and the receipt of a bona fide payment for performing such functions shall not preclude an exemption which would otherwise be available under this section.
- (b) The exemption of a transaction pursuant to this section with respect to the participation therein of one (1) party thereto shall not render such transaction exempt with respect to participation of any other party therein unless such other party also meets the conditions of this section.

- 4.2. Exemption from subsection (b) of the Act of acquisitions of shares of stock and stock options under certain stock bonus, stock option or similar plans. -- Any acquisition of shares of stock (other than stock acquired upon the exercise of an option, warrant or right) pursuant to a stock bonus, profit sharing, retirement, incentive, thrift, savings or similar plan, or any acquisition of a qualified or restricted stock option pursuant to a qualified or restricted stock option plan, or a stock option pursuant to an employee stock purchase plan, by a director or officer of an insurer issuing such stock or stock option shall be exempt from the operation of subsection (b) of the Act if the plan meets the following conditions:
- (a) The plan has been approved, directly or indirectly, (1) by the affirmative votes of the holders of a majority of the securities of such insurer present, or represented, and entitled to vote at a meeting duly held in accordance with the applicable laws of the State of West Virginia, or (2) by the written consent of the holders of a majority of the securities of such insurer entitled to vote: Provided, That if such vote or written consent was not solicited substantially in accordance with the Proxy Rules and Regulations prescribed by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, if any, in effect at the time of such vote or written consent, the insurer shall furnish in writing to the holders of record of the securities entitled to vote for the plan substantially the same information concerning the plan which would be required by any such Rules and Regulations so prescribed and in effect at the time such information is furnished, if proxies to be voted with respect to the approval or disapproval of the plan were then being solicited, on or prior to the date of the first annual meeting of security holders held subsequent to the later of (i) the date the Act first applies to such insurer, or (ii) the acquisition of an equity security for which exemption is claimed. Such written information may be furnished by mail to the last known address of the security holders of record within thirty (30) days prior to the date of mailing. Four (4) copies of such written information shall be filed with, or mailed for filing to, the Commissioner not later than the date on which it is first sent or given to security holders of the insurer. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "Insurer" includes a predecessor corporation if the plan or obligations to participate thereunder were assumed by the insurer in connection with the succession.
- (b) If the selection of any director of officer of the insurer to whom stock may be allocated or to whom qualified, restricted or Employee Stock Purchase Plan stock options may be granted pursuant to the plan or the determination of the number or maximum number of shares of stock which may be allocated to any such director or officer or which may be covered by qualified, restricted or Employee Stock Purchase Plan stock options granted to any such director or officer, is subject to the discretion of any person, then such discretion shall be exercised only as follows:
- (1) With respect to the participation of directors;
- (A) By the Board of Directors of the insurer, a majority of which board and a majority of the directors acting in the manner are disinterested persons; or

- (B) By, or only in accordance with the recommendations of, a committee of three (3) or more persons having full authority to act in the matter, all of the members of which committee are disinterested persons; or
- (C) Otherwise in accordance with the plan, if the plan (i) specifies the number or maximum number of shares of stock which directors may acquire or which may be subject to qualified, restricted or Employee Stock Purchase Plan stock options granted to directors and the terms upon which, and the times at which, or the periods within which, such stock may be acquired or such options may be acquired and exercised; or (ii) sets forth, by formula or otherwise, effective and determinable limitations with respect to the foregoing based upon earnings of the insurer, dividends paid, compensation received by participants, option prices, market value of shares, outstanding shares or percentages thereof outstanding from time to time or similar factors.
- (2) With respect to the participation of officers who are not directors;
- (A) By the Board of Directors of the insurer or a committee of three (3) or more directors; or
- (B) By, or only in accordance with the recommendations of, a committee of three (3) or more persons having full authority to act in the matter, all of the members of which committee are disinterested persons.

For the purpose of this paragraph, a director or committee member shall be deemed to be a disinterested person only if such person is not at the time such discretion is exercised eligible and has not at any time within one (1) year prior thereto been eligible for selection as a person to whom stock may be allocated or to whom qualified, restricted or Employee Stock Purchase Plan stock options may be granted pursuant to the plan or any other plan of the insurer or any of its affiliates entitling the participants therein to acquire stock or qualified, restricted or Employee Stock Purchase Plan stock options of the insurer or any of its affiliates.

- (3) The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply with respect to any option granted, or other equity security acquired, prior to the date that subsections (a), (b), and (c) of the Act first become applicable with respect to any class of equity securities of any insurer.
- (c) As to each participant or as to all participants the plan effectively limits the aggregate dollar amount or the aggregate number of shares of stock which may be allocated, or which may be subject to qualified, restricted, or Employee Stock Purchase Plan stock options granted, pursuant to the plan. The limitations may be established on an annual basis, or for the duration of the plan, whether or not the plan has a fixed termination date; and may be determined either by fixed or maximum dollar amount or fixed or maximum numbers of shares or by formulas based upon earnings of the insurer, dividends paid, compensation received by participants, option prices, market value of shares, outstanding shares or percentages thereof outstanding from time to time, or similar factors which will

result in an effective and determinable limitation. Such limitations may be subject to any provisions for adjustment of the plan or of stock allocable or options outstanding thereunder to prevent dilution or enlargement of rights.

- (d) Unless the context otherwise requires, all terms used in Section 4.2 of these rules shall have the same meaning as in the Act and in Section 2.1 of these regulations. In addition, the following definitions apply:
- (1) The term "Plan" includes any plan, whether or not set forth in any formal written document or documents and whether or not approved in its entirety at one (1) time.
- (2) The definition of the terms "Qualified Stock Option" and "Employee Stock Purchase Plan" that are set forth in Sections 422 and 423 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, are to be applied to those terms where used in this section. The term "Restricted Stock Option" as defined in Section 424 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, shall be applied to that term as used in this section: Provided, That for the purposes of this section an option which meets all of the conditions of that section, other than the date of issuance, shall be deemed to be a "Restricted Stock Option."
- (3) The term "Exercise of an Option, Warrant or Right" contained in the parenthetical clause of the first paragraph of this section shall not include (i) the making of any election to receive under any plan an award of compensation in the form of stock or credits therefore: Provided, That such election is made prior to the making of the award: Provided, however, That such election is irrevocable until at least six (6) months after termination of employment; (ii) the subsequent crediting of such stock; (iii) the making of any election as to a time for delivery of such stock after termination of employment: Provided further, That such election is made at least six (6) months prior to any such delivery; (iv) the fulfillment of any condition to the absolute right to receive such stock; or (v) the acceptance of certificates for shares of such stock.
- 4.3. Exemption from subsection (b) of the Act of certain transactions in which securities are received by redeeming other securities. -- Any acquisition of an equity security (other than a convertible security or right to purchase a security) by a director or officer of an insurer issuing such security shall be exempt from the operation of subsection (b) of the Act upon condition that:
- (a) The equity security is acquired by way of redemption of another security of an insurer substantially all of whose assets other than cash (or Government bonds) consist of securities of the insurer issuing the equity security so acquired, and which
- (1) Represented substantially and in practical effect a stated or readily ascertainable amount of such equity security;
- (2) Had a value which was substantially determined by the value of such equity security;

- (3) Conferred upon the holder the right to receive such equity security without the payment of any consideration other than the security redeemed;
- (b) No security of the same class as the security redeemed was acquired by the director or officer within six (6) months prior to such redemption or is acquired within six (6) months after such redemption;
- (c) The insurer issuing the equity security acquired has recognized the applicability of Paragraph (a) of this section by appropriate corporation action.
- 4.4. Exemption of long term profits incident to sales within six (6) months of the exercise of an option.
- (a) To the extent specified in Paragraph (b) of this section, the Commissioner hereby exempts as not comprehended within the purposes of subsection (b) of the Act any transaction or transactions involving the purchase and sale, or sale and purchase, of any equity security where such purchase is pursuant to the exercise of an option or similar right either (1) acquired more than six (6) months before its exercise, or (2) acquired pursuant to the terms of an employment contract entered into more than six (6) months before its exercise.
- (b) In respect of transactions specified in Paragraph (a) of this section the profits inuring to the insurer shall not exceed the difference between the proceeds of sale and the lowest market price of any security of the same class within six (6) months before or after the date of sale. Nothing in Section 4.4 of these rules shall be deemed to enlarge the amount of profit which would inure to such insurer in the absence of Section 4.4 of these rules.
- (c) The Commissioner also hereby exempts, as not comprehended within the purposes of subsection (b) of the Act, the disposition of a security, purchased in a transaction specified in Paragraph (a) of Section 4.4 of these rules, pursuant to a plan or agreement for merger or consolidation, or reclassification of the insurer's securities, or for the exchange of its securities for the securities of another person which has acquired its assets, or which is in control, as defined in Section 368 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, of a person which has acquired its assets, where the terms of such plan or agreement are binding upon all stockholders of the insurer except to the extent that dissenting stockholders may be entitled, under statutory provisions or provisions contained in the certificate of incorporation, to receive the appraised or fair value of their holdings.
- (d) The exemptions proved by Section 4.4 of these rules shall not apply to any transaction made unlawful by subsection (c) of the Act or by any rules and regulations thereunder.
- (e) The burden of establishing market price of a security for the purpose of Section 4.4 of these rules shall rest upon the person claiming the exemption.

- 4.5. Exemption from subsection (b) of the Act of certain acquisitions and dispositions of securities pursuant to merger or consolidations.
- (a) The following transactions shall be exempt from the provisions of subsection (b) of the Act as not comprehended within the purpose of said subsection:
- (1) The acquisition of a security of an insurer, pursuant to a merger or consolidation, in exchange for a security of a company which, prior to said merger or consolidation, owned eighty-five percent (85%) or more of the equity securities of all other companies involved in the merger or consolidation except, in the case of consolidation, the resulting company;
- (2) The disposition of a security, pursuant to a merger or consolidation of an insurer which, prior to said merger or consolidation, owned eighty-five percent (85%) or more of the equity securities of all other companies involved in the merger or consolidation, except, in the case of consolidation, the resulting company;
- (3) The acquisition of a security of an insurer, pursuant to a merger or consolidation, in exchange for a security of a company which, prior to said merger or consolidation, held over eighty-five percent (85%) of the combined assets of all the companies undergoing merger or consolidation, computed according to their book values prior to the merger or consolidation as determined by reference to their most recent available financial statements for a twelve (12) month period prior to the merger or consolidation;
- (4) The disposition of a security, pursuant to a merger or consolidation, of an insurer which, prior to said merger or consolidation, held over eighty-five percent (85%) of the combined assets of all the companies undergoing merger or consolidation, computed according to their book values prior to merger or consolidation, as determined by reference to their most recent available financial statements for a twelve (12) month period prior to the merger or consolidation.
- (b) A merger within the meaning of Section 4.5 of these rules shall include the sale or purchase of substantially all the assets of one insurer by another in exchange for stock which is then distributed to the security holders of the insurer which sold its assets.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if an officer, director or stockholder shall make any purchase (other than a purchase exempted by Section 4.5 of these rules) of a security in any company involved in the merger or consolidation and any sale (other than a sale exempted by Section 4.5 of these rules) of a security in any other company involved in the merger or consolidation within any period of less than six (6) months during which the merger or consolidation took place, the exemption provided by Section 4.5 of these rules shall be unavailable to such officer, director or stockholder.
- 4.6. Exemption from subsection (b) of the Act of certain securities received upon surrender of similar equity securities. -- Any acquisition or disposition of an equity

security involved in the deposit of such security under, or the withdrawal of such security from, a voting trust or deposit agreement, and the acquisition or disposition in connection therewith of the certificate representing such security, shall be exempt from the operation of subsection (b) of the Act if substantially all of the assets held under the voting trust or deposit agreement immediately after the deposit or immediately prior to the withdrawal, as the case may be, consisted of equity securities of the same class as the security deposited or withdrawn: Provided, That Section 4.6 of these rules shall not apply to the extent that there shall have been either (a) a purchase of an equity security of the class deposited and a sale of any certificate representing an equity security of such class, or (b) a sale of an equity security of the class deposited and a purchase of any certificate representing an equity security of such class (otherwise than in a transaction involved in such deposit or withdrawal or in a transaction exempted by any other provision of the regulations under subsection (b) of the Act) within a period of less than six (6) months which includes the date of the deposit or withdrawal.

- 4.7. Exemption from subsection (b) of the Act of certain transactions involving an exchange of similar securities.
- (a) Any acquisition or disposition of an equity security involved in the conversion of an equity security which, by its terms or pursuant to the terms of the insurer's charter or other governing instruments, is convertible immediately or after a stated period of time into another equity security of the same insurer, shall be exempt from the operation of subsection (b) of the Act: Provided, That Section 4.7 of these rules shall not apply to the extent that there shall have been either (1) a purchase of any equity security of the class convertible (including any acquisition of or change in a conversion privilege) and a sale of any equity security of the class issuable upon conversion, or (2) a sale of any equity security of the class convertible and any purchase of any equity security issuable upon conversion (otherwise than in a transaction involved in such conversion or in a transaction exempted by any other provision of the regulations under subsection (b) of the Act) within a period of less than six (6) months which includes the date of conversion.
- (b) For the purpose of Section 4.7 of these rules, an equity security shall not be deemed to be acquired or disposed of upon conversion of an equity security if the terms of the equity security converted require the payment or entail the receipt, in connection with such conversion, of cash or other property (other than equity securities involved in the conversion) equal in value at the time of conversion to more than fifteen percent (15%) of the value of the equity security issued upon conversion.
- (c) For the purpose of Section 4.7 of these rules, an equity security shall be deemed convertible if it is convertible at the option of the holder or of some other person or by operation of the terms of the security or the governing instruments.
- §114-4-5. Regulations Under Subsection (c) Of The Act.

- 5.1. Exemption of certain securities from subsection (c) of the Act. -- Any security shall be exempt from the operation of subsection (c) of the Act to the extent necessary to render lawful under such subsection the execution by a broker of an order for an account in which he has no direct or indirect interest.
- 5.2. Exemption from subsection (c) of the Act of certain transactions effected in connection with a distribution.

Any security shall be exempt from the operation of subsection (c) of the Act to the extent necessary to render lawful under such section any sale made by or on behalf of a dealer in connection with a distribution of a substantial block of securities, upon the following conditions:

- (a) The sale is represented by an over-allotment in which the dealer is participating as a member of an underwriting group, or dealer or person acting on his behalf intends in good faith to offset such sale with a security to be acquired by or on behalf of the dealer as a participant in an underwriting, selling or soliciting-dealer group of which the dealer is a member at the time of sale, whether or not the security to be so acquired is subject to a prior offering to existing security holders or some other class of persons; and
- (b) Other persons not within the purview of subsection (c) of the Act are participating in the distribution of such block of securities on terms at least as favorable as those on which such dealer is participating and to an extent at least equal to the aggregate participation of all persons exempted from the provisions of subsection (c) of the Act by Section 5.2 of these rules. However, the performance of the functions of manager of a distributing group and the receipt of a bona fide payment for performing such functions shall not preclude an exemption which would otherwise be available under Section 5.2 of these rules.
- 5.3. Exemption from subsection (c) of the Act of sales of securities to be acquired.
- (a) Whenever any person is entitled, as an incident to his ownership of an issued security and without the payment of consideration, to receive another security "When Issued" or "When Distributed," the security to be acquired shall be exempt from the operation of subsection (c): Provided, That
- (1) The sale is made subject to the same conditions as those attaching to the right of acquisition; and
- (2) Such person exercises reasonable diligence to deliver such security to the purchaser promptly after his right of acquisition matures; and
- (3) Such person reports the sale on the appropriate form for reporting transactions by persons subject to subsection (a) of the Act.

(b) This section shall not be construed as exempting transactions involving both a sale of a security "When Issued" or "When Distributed" and a sale of the security by virtue of which the seller expects to receive the "When-Issued" or "When-Distributed" security, if the two (2) transactions combined result in a sale of more units than the aggregate of those owned by the seller plus those to be received by him pursuant to his right of acquisition.

§114-4-6. Regulation Under Subsection (e) Of The Act.

6.1. Arbitrage transactions under subsection (e) of the Act. -- It shall be unlawful for any director or officer of an insurer to effect any foreign or domestic arbitrage transaction in any equity security of such insurer, unless he shall include such transaction in the statements required by subsection (a) of the Act and shall account to such insurer for the profits arising from such transaction, as provided in subsection (b) thereof. The provisions of subsection (c) of the Act shall not apply to such arbitrage transactions. The provisions of the Act shall not apply to any bona fide foreign or domestic arbitrage transaction insofar as it is effected by any person other than such director or officer of the insurer.